

SENATE BILL 2599

By Niceley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54,  
relative to guide signs for recreation sites, cultural  
interest areas, and other attractions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by  
adding the following as a new section:

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Cultural interest area" includes museums, art galleries, and historical  
buildings or sites;

(2) "Recreation site" includes fairgrounds, zoos, parks, campgrounds,  
and amusement parks; and

(3) "Rural county" means any county having a population of less than  
one hundred thousand (100,000), according to the 2010 federal census or any  
subsequent federal census.

(b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a guide sign is authorized to be  
erected on or along a state highway for a recreation site or cultural interest area located  
in a rural county only if the recreation site or cultural interest area has a minimum annual  
attendance of at least thirty percent (30%) of the population of the rural county,  
regardless of whether the site or area is owned or operated by the state or a county or  
municipality.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020, the public welfare requiring it.